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SUBJECT: NEW FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO SOMALIA

- 1. PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FROM POST, JEAN GUEURY, FRENCH MINISTER (DCM) IN TUNIS). INFORMED US THAT HE HAS BEEN PROPOSED AS NEW FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO SOMALIA. FORMAL AGREMENT FROM SOMALIAN GOVERNMENT IS EXPECTED SHORTLY. GUEURY PLANS TO ARRIVE IN MOGADISCIO AROUND SEPTEMBER 20.
- 2. WE HAVE HAD GOOD RELATIONS WITH GUEURY DURING PAST THREE YEARS AND HAVE FOUND HIM ABLE AND FRIENDLY COLLEUGUE, WITH URBANE MANNER. HE HAS SERVIED PRIVIOUSLY IN TUNISIA (THEN UNDER FRENCH RULE), GREECE, THE NETHERLANDS, POLAND, YUGOSLAVIA, NATO, AND FOUR YEARS AT THE QUAI. HE SPEAKS WARMLY OF HIS 3 1/2 YEARS WITH NATO IN THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY TO SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATO AND OF HIS AMERICAN COLLEUGUES DURING THAT PERIOD, SUCH AS GEORGE VEST. HE SPEAKS FAIR ENGLISH. WIFE, FRANCOISE, IS ATTRACTIVE AND SPEAKS SOME ENGLISH.
- 3. GUEURY HAS EXPRESSED TO US AN INTEREST IN STAYING IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH HIS AMERICAN COLLEUGUES IN MOGADISCIO.

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